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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 29, 2002; that response is due on February 28, 2002.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding requirement for restriction and examination of all the claims are respectively requested notwithstanding the election with traverse of claims 1-19 and 23-24 of Group I as stated herein below.

REMARKS

Claims 1-25 are pending in this application.

Summary of Requirement for Restriction

The Examiner required restriction to one of the following inventions under 235 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1-19 and 23-24, drawn to mutated yeast strains and methods of making, classified in class 435, subclass 254-21.
- II. Claims 20-22 and 25, drawn to doughs and process for making doughs with the yeast of Group I, classified in class 426, subclass 19.

In justifying this restriction requirement, the Examiner has taken the position that the yeast and method of making in Group I are patentably distinct and unrelated